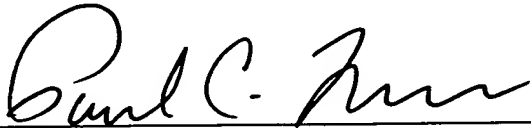


- ☒ Petition for three (3) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$460.00 for the extension of time.
- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of \$460.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

August 7, 2002

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to approve the changes to Figs. 2C, 3 and 4 as in the attached proposed drawing correction. This correction provides Figs. 3 and 4 on a separate sheet from Fig. 2C in order to clarify the figures which are present in the present application.

It is respectfully requested that this drawing corrections be held in abeyance until allowance of the above-identified application. At that time, these drawing corrections will be implemented by a bonded draftsman employed by the undersigned.

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